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DEPARTMENT PASS TREASURY FOR ACTION

1. AMBASSADOR DISCUSSED REFTELS WITH AMBASSADOR VARKONY (CHIEF, FONOFF DEPT V) SEPTEMBER 12 AND EXCHANGED VIEWS ON POSSIBLE PROGRAM. VARKONY SAID THERE WAS CHANGE IN SITUATION IN THAT VALYI WOULD NOW STAY THROUGH MONDAY AND POSSIBLY TUESDAY MORNING. AMB. SZABO ALREADY INFORMED. VARKONY LATER CALLED TO SAY PLANS AGAIN ALTERED. VALYI WOULD HAVE TO LEAVE MONDY AFTERNOON, BUT WANTED TO HAVE DINNER FOR SECRETARY SUNDAY EVENING AND "NEGOTIATING" SESSION WITH HIM MONDAY MORNING.

2. SUGGESTED SCHEDULE BELOW IS BASED ON ABOVE SITUATION TAKING INTO ACCOUNT REFTELS, HUNGARIAN AND EMBASSY SUGGESTIONS. IF YOU HAVE ANY FURTHER COMMENTS ON THIS VERY TENTATIVE SCHEDULE, LET US KNOW. IN MEANTIME, HUNGARIANS WILL MAKE
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PRELIMINARY ARRANGEMENTS ON THESE GENERAL LINES:

A. SUNDAY, SEPT. 23:

1645 ARRIVAL
1700 - 1745 AIRPORT TO HOTEL
2000 - DINNER (WITH WIVES) HOSTED BY DEPUTY
PRIME MINISTER VALYI

B. MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24:

0900 - 1030 - MEETING WITH BIRO
1030 - 1130 - MEETING WITH VALYI
1130 - 1230 - VISIT TO TUNGSTRAM LIGHT PLANT
1300 - 1430 - STAG LUNCHEON AT RESIDENCE FOR HUNGARIANS
1500 - 1600 - MEETING WITH MIN OF AGRICULTURE DIMENY
1600 - 1700 - MEETING WITH CHAIRMAN OF STATE PLANNING
COMMITTEE LAZAR
1900 - 2100 - OPERETTA
2100 - - DINNER-LEFT FREE. SUGGEST RESTAURANT
WITH GYPSY MUSIC, OR HOTEL, AS SECRETARY
WISHES

C. TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25:

0900 - 1000 - VISITING PRINCIPAL BUDAPEST SIGHTS
1015 - 1115 - FREE FOR SHOPPING OR REST
1145 - 1230 - HOTEL TO AIRPORT
1245 - DEPARTURE

3. SCHEDULE FOR WIVES WOULD BE THE SAME AS ABOVE FOR
SUNDAY AND TUESDAY. FOLLOWING IS SUGGESTED

SCHEDULE FOR WIVES FOR MONDAY:

0900 - 1100 - BUDAPEST TO HEREND
1100 - 1230 - TOUR HEREND FACTORY
1300 - 1430 - LUNCH AT RESTAURANT ON LAKE BALATON
1500 - 1600 - VISIT TIHANY MONASTERY
1600 - 1730 - MONASTERY TO BUDAPEST

4. COMMENTS.

A. PM FOCK WILL STILL BE ON VACATION AND THEREFORE NOT
AVAILABLE FOR APPOINTMENT.

B. BABLONA FARM TOO FAR AWAY (TWO AND ONE-HALF HOURS EACH
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WAY) TO BE INCLUDED.

C. MFA SUGGESTED TUNGSTRAM LIGHT BULB PLANT VISIT BECAUSE
IT IS EXPORT PRODUCT THEY MIGHT SELL TO US. TUNGSTRAM
AND CORNING RECENTLY COMPLETED WORK ON NEW PLANT IN TURNKEY
PROJECT (ALSO TOO FAR AWAY) AND MAY ENGAGE IN
ANOTHER, AND TUNGSTRAM IS RIGHT IN BUDAPEST. EMBASSY
THINKS THIS GOOD ADVICE.

D. ORDER OF ALL APPOINTMENTS ON MONDAY WOULD BE SUBJECT

TO AVAILABILITY HUNGARIAN MINISTERS AND ESPECIALLY ON DECISION AS TO WHETHER VALYI OR BIRO WOULD HOLD MAIN (HOUR AND ONE-HALF) BUSINESS SESSION.

E. DIMENY AND LAZAR ARE EMBASSY SUGGESTIONS. AS AGRICULTURAL TRADE NOW ABOUT HALF TOTAL TWO WAY TRADE, WE THOUGHT MEETING WITH THEM WOULD BE USEFUL. LAZAR HAS RECENTLY ASSUMED JOB AS CHIEF OF NEWLY CREATED NATIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE WHICH WILL ISSUE DIRECTIVES TO AND COORDINATE WORK OF GOVERNMENT MINISTRIES. UPON TAKING THIS POSITION HE WAS ALSO GIVEN RANK OF DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER. (SEE BUDAPEST 2484).

F. NO OPERA OR CONCERT PLAYING MONDAY NIGHT. OPERETTA IS HUNGARIAN PRODUCTION "SYBILL." SHOULD BE LIGHT AND ENJOYABLE.

5. I GAVE VARKONY LIST OF TOPICS SECRETARY DENT WANTED TO DISCUSS WITH BIRO. HE SAID THEY WOULD BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS ALL SUBJECTS PROPOSED. CULTURAL AGREEMENT AND STATUS OF NEGOTIATIONS WITH BONDHOLDERS WILL PROBABLY BE INCLUDED IN MEETING WITH VALYI, WITH APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS FROM INSTITUTE OF CULTURAL RELATIONS, MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND NATIONAL BANK PRESENT. OTHER ITEMS ON AGENDA COULD BE DISCUSSED EITHER WITH VALYI OR BIRO AS APPROPRIATE. VARKONY SAID THAT FOR PRESENT THEY HAVE NO PROPOSALS TO ADD TO LIST OF SECRETARY'S SUGGESTED DISCUSSION ITEMS.

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6. GIFTS WILL BE APPROPRIATE FOR VALYI, LAZAR, BIRO AND DIMENY. WE BELIEVE THAT PERSONALIZED ITEMS SUCH AS ENGRAVED DESK SET FROM SECRETARY WOULD BE MOST APPRCIATED GIFT. GIFT FOR WIVES NOT NECESSARY BUT SMALL GIFTS SUCH AS PERFUME OR OTHER APPROPRIATE ITEMS FOR FACTORY GUIDES AT HEREND, SIGHTSEEING TOUR GUIDE, ETC. MIGHT BE USEFUL. HUNGARIANS WILL PROBABLY GIVE HEREND CHINA (POSSIBLY ENTIRE DINNER SERVICE) TO PRINCIPAL MEMBERS OF PARTY AND PROBABLY SOMETHING TO EVERYONE.

7. PLEASE LET US KNOW ASAP HOW MANY WILL BE IN OFFICIAL PARTY IN HUNGARY AND WHETHER LIST IN REFTTEL IS IN ORDER OF PRECEDENCE. ALSO NEED YOUR GUIDANCE AS TO HOW MANY YOU WOULD LIKE INVITED TO VALYI DINNER AND MONDAY LUNCHEON. WE WOULD GUESS VALYI DINNER WOULD TOTAL ABOUT 50 PEOPLE (INCLUDING HUNGARIANS); RESIDENCE CAN ACCOMMODATE 20-24. WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE THREE OR FOUR COUPLES FROM EMBASSY AT DINNER AND THREE AT THE LUNCHEON.

8. HOTEL RESERVATIONS FOR PARTY AT DUNA INTERCONTINENTAL CONFIRMED AS REQUESTED. DUE TO SMALL SIZE OF EMBASSY STAFF AND HEAVY INVOLVEMENT OF ALMOST ALL EMBASSY OFFICERS IN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OTHER ASPECTS OF VISIT, WE WOULD HOPE WE COULD CLOSE CONTROL ROOM FROM 2400 - 0800. HOTEL NOT SECURE FOR CLASSIFIED MATERIALS AND WE WILL MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR COURIER SERVICE AS REQUIRED. DIRECT PHONE CONNECTIONS FROM HOTEL TO EMBASSY SWITCHBOARD WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE HERE. WE HAVE NO OVERSEAS PHONE LINKS TO WASHINGTON AND CALLS ARE MOST EASILY MADE THROUGH HOTEL. WE WILL ARRANGE, HOWEVER, FOR ANY CALLS FOR SECRETAY DENT TO BE PUT ON HIS SECRETARY'S PHONE FOR TRANSMITTAL TO HIM. WE ALSO BELIEVE EXTRA ROOM DESIRABLE FOR OFFICE SPACE FOR SECRETARY DENT'S SECRETARY AND SPECIAL ASSISTANT AS CONTROL ROOM USUALLY BECOMES TOO HECTIC FOR EFFICIENT WORK. IF YOU WANT US TO CANCEL THIS, EXTRA ROOM, LET US KNOW.

9. PLEASE PROVIDE US WITH PASSPORT NUMBERS AND DATES OF BIRTH FOR ALL MEMBERS OF PARTY TO FACILITATE FLIGHT CLEARANCES. ALSO INFORM US WHETHER PARTY WILL HAVE HUNGARIAN VISAS OR IF THEY PLAN TO OBTAIN VISAS UPON ARRIVAL.

10. WILL SECRETARY DENT AMKE ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE STATEMENTS? IF SO, WE WILL NEED TO INFORM HUNGARIANS IN ADVANCE. OUR EXPERIENCE WITH SECRETARY ROGERS' VISIT LAST YEAR WAS THAT SUCH STATEMENTS (AND TOAST AT DINNER) WERE GIVEN FULL COVERAGE BY LOCAL PRESS AND WERE EFFECTIVE WAY OF CONVEYING

SUBSTANCE OF OUR VIEWS TO HUNGARIAN PEOPLE.

11. PLEASE LET US KNOW WHO YOU WOULD LIKE TO HAVE ACCOMPANY DENT AT VARIOUS MEETINGS. WE WOULD ASSUME THAT SECRETARY DENT, ARMSTRONG AND AMBASSADOR WOULD ATTEND ALL, WITH SIZE REST OF PARTY TO VARY ACCORDING TO NATURE OF MEETING. IF YOU WANT US TO PROVIDE REPORTING OFFICER WILL DO SO, OTHERWISE WILL RELY ON SECRETARY'S PARTY.

12. WE HAVE NOT YET DISCUSSED ANY SEPARATE ELEMENTS FOR ARMSTRONG. WE ASSUME TUESDAY MORNING MIGHT BE BEST TIME FOR MEETING WITH EMBASSY STAFF. WHETHER MEETING WITH FONMINISTRY, WHICH HAS LITTLE INFLUENCE ON TRADE MATTERS, WILL BE USEFUL WE ARE NOT YET SURE.

13. WE ASSUME TUESDAY LUNCHEON WILL BE ON PLANE DURING TRIP TO WARSAW.
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14. GOH WILL PROVIDE CARS FOR ALL MEMBERS OF OFFICIAL PARTY. EMBASSY WILL SUPPLY ADDITIONAL TRANSPORTATION AS NEEDED.

15. PLEASE LET US KNOW HOW MANY OPERATTA TICKETS YOU WOULD LIKE US TO GET.

16. EMBASSY CONTROL OFFICER WILL BE ECONOMIC OFFICER DONALD KURSCH.
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